

REMARKSIntroductory Matters

Claims 1-6, 8, 9, 11, 12 and 14 are pending in this application. Claims 1-6, 11 and 12 stand allowed. Claims 8, 9 and 14 stand rejected.

Applicant has canceled claims 8 and 14 and has amended claim 9 to recite an amended list of diseases.

The Official ActionClaim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph

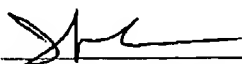
Claims 8, 9 and 14 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph. The Examiner contends that the specification, "while being enabling for preserving cells or organs or treating arthritis with the instant compound, does not reasonably provide enablement for various diseases embraced in the claims." Applicants traverse. Nevertheless, in order to expedite prosecution, applicants have canceled claims 8 and 14 and have amended claim 9 for the Examiner's consideration. Applicants respectfully submit that claim 9 is enabled. Accordingly, applicants respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw these 112, first paragraph rejections.

CONCLUSION

In view of the amendments presented above, applicants believe that pending claims 1-6, 9, 11, and 12 are all in condition for allowance. Applicants would like to thank the Examiner for careful review of this application.

If it is believed that a telephone call would expedite prosecution, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned anytime at (617) 444-6525.

Respectfully submitted,


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